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# Savvy Septic Preventative Maintenance Grant



#### **Overview**

The Savvy Septic Program offers Preventative Maintenance Grants for low-income or fixed-income homeowners who meet certain eligibility requirements. Grant funds are available on a first-come, first-served basis until funding is exhausted.

## **Eligible Projects**

Funding is available for specific activities and at specified funding limits. Grant funds are limited to \$599 per household.

Eligible projects and cost limits:

- System pumping and inspection: Up to \$599
- System inspection/evaluation: Up to \$250
- Installation of risers: Up to \$150 per riser; total of \$300
- Installation of baffles: Up to \$150 per baffle, total of \$300
- Installation of effluent filter: Total of \$150

Homeowners are responsible for any project cost balance beyond available funding limits. Grants may not be used to reimburse applicants for previously incurred expenses.

# Who is Eligible

Applicants must be homeowners who meet one of the following income conditions:

- 1. Be at or below 60% of the Washington State Median Household Income, as defined in the pre-application form and confirmed through Snohomish County Human Services.
- 2. Enrolled in senior or disabled property tax exemption through the Snohomish County Assessor's Office.



#### **Additional Eligibility Requirements**

- The property must be located in one of the three designated Snohomish County Watershed Management Areas (WMA).
- 2. The property resident must complete a pre-application form in order to confirm if the property is located within a WMA.
- 3. The applicant must own and live on the property the septic system serves.

#### **Application Process**

- 1. To apply for a grant, an applicant must fill out and submit a complete pre-application form.
- 2. Snohomish County Savvy Septic staff will notify applicants of their eligibility status.
- Applicants will then be asked to submit a full application to determine income and property eligibility.



#### **Investing in Clean Water**

Snohomish County is home to spectacular marine shorelines, lakes, rivers, and streams that provide recreation, wildlife habitat, food, and natural beauty unique to the Pacific Northwest. Maintaining healthy septic systems is critical for clean water and to protect our aquatic ecosystems, the health and safety of county residents, and the value of your home.

Approximately 75% of Snohomish County's 80,000 septic systems are 25 years old or older, and many are near bodies of water. By maintaining a clean and healthy septic system, you are helping keep pollution out of the environment and investing in clean water for your family and your community.



## **About Savvy Septic**

The Savvy Septic Program is your one-stop-shop for financing options, incentives, and education to help you maintain a healthy septic system. Low-interest loans, rebates, and grants to help keep your system functioning properly are available. The program also offers free homeowner workshops on septic maintenance.

This Snohomish County program is a partnership with the Washington State Department of Ecology and PSCCU. Together, we're keeping our water clean by helping Snohomish County residents become Savvy Septic owners.

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